

**FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL**

**BOZICEVIC, FIELD & FRANCIS LLP**

200 Middlefield Road, Suite 200

Menlo Park, CA 94025

Telephone: (650)327-3400

Facsimile Number: (650)327-3231

**Date:** March 13, 2003

**To:** **ATTENTION: PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**Examiner Michael Nghiem**

**Facsimile No.:** (703) 308-5841

**From:** Martha Cisneros for Frank Becking, Reg. No. 42,309

**Re:** U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/017,107  
Filed: December 13, 2001  
Entitled *Printhead Fluid Supply System*  
Our Ref.: 10004452-1

**FAX RECEIVED**

MAR 13 2003

**Message:**

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

Dear Examiner,

This is a courtesy copy of the Communication Interview Summary & Renewed Request to Enter Examiner Amendment document as filed on today March 13, 2003.

If you find any problem with the transmittal of these documents, please contact Martha Cisneros at (650) 833-7722

Thank You

Total number of pages, including this cover sheet: 3

\*\*\*\*\*

**WARNING:** This facsimile message and accompanying documents are intended only for the use of the addressee indicated above. Information that is privileged or otherwise confidential may be contained therein. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, copying, review or use of the above message or the accompanying documents is strictly prohibited. If you have received this message in error, please notify us immediately by telephone or facsimile, and mail the original to us at the above address. Thank you.

Please contact the sender at (650) 327-3400 if you have any problems receiving this transmission.

AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  
Legal Department, DL429  
Intellectual Property Administration  
P. O. Box 7599  
Loveland, Colorado 80537-0599

## PATENT APPLICATION

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 10004452-1

IN THE  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): John McEntee and Jay Bass

Serial No.: 10/017,107

Examiner: Nghiem, Michael P.

Filing Date: Dec. 13, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2863

Title: PRINTHEAD FLUID SUPPLY SYSTEM

FAX RECEIVED

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

MAR 13 2003

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- ( ) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Box Non-Fee Amendments")  
(X) Other: Comm: Interview Summary & Renewed Req. & Postcard (fee \$ )

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$410.00	3RD MONTH \$930.00	4TH MONTH \$1450.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 50-1078. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1078 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 50-1078 under 37 CFR 1.16, 1.17, 1.19, 1.20 and 1.21. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

John McEntee and Jay Bass

By

Frank Becking for Gordon Stewart

Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)  
Reg. No. 42,309


Date: March 13, 2003

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Date of Deposit: March 13, 2003

Typed Name: Martha Cisneros

Signature:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING			
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.			
Typed or Printed Name	Martha Cisneros		
Signature		Date	March 13, 2003

9/10/02  
J. Septer  
3-1803

<b>COMMUNICATION: INTERVIEW SUMMARY and RENEWED REQUEST TO ENTER EXAMINER AMENDMENT</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231	Customer Number	022878
	Atty. Docket No.	10004452-1
	Application Number	10/017,107 <b>FAX RECEIVED</b>
	Confirmation Number	6455 <b>MAR 13 2003</b>
	Filing Date	December 13, 2001
	First Named Inventor	MCENTEE, JOHN P. <b>TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800</b>
	Examiner Name	NGHIEM, MICHAEL P.
	Group Art Unit	2863

A telephonic interview was conducted with Examiner Nghiem on February 25, 2003. In that interview, the possibility of an Examiner Amendment to claim 14 in which the claim would describe . . . "a reservoir containing biopolymeric print medium and having an inlet . . ." as supported by ¶33 of Applicants' Specification was discussed.

Regarding this proposed amendment, agreement was reached that it patentably defined over the art of record – particularly, Hoen, *et al.* However, the Examiner refused to enter the amendment on the grounds it would raise new issues requiring an additional search.

The undersigned respectfully disagreed. In this regard, it is further noted that claims 9 and 23-26 which were searched (and found to represent allowable subject matter) involve biopolymeric printing medium for producing biopolymer arrays. Accordingly, the issue of the proposed amendment summarized above is believed to have already been considered the Examiner and properly the subject of any search previously made.

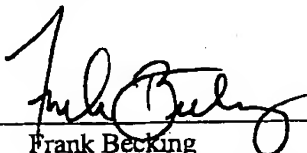
Therefore, it is again requested that the proposed amendment be entered and a Notice of Allowance issued. Regarding this request, the undersigned will follow-up with the Examiner before the 4-month response deadline to the Final Office Action dated November 21, 2002.

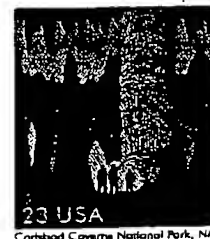
Furthermore, in the interview the Examiner confirmed that claims 1-13 were allowable and that claims 22-29 would likewise be allowed upon submission of an amendment to include any intervening claim limitations. The later action is to be delayed pending a decision by the Examiner regarding the above request.

Though no fees or extensions are believed to be required for this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1078.

BOZICEVIC, FIELD & FRANCIS LLP

Date: 3/13/03

By:   
 Frank Becking  
 Registration No. 42,309



Agilent Technologies, Inc.  
Legal Department, DL429  
Intellectual Property Administration  
P.O. Box 7599  
Loveland, Colorado 80537-0599

© USPS 2002 recycled

**FAX RECEIVED**

**MAR 13 2003**

**TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800**

Atty/Sec: FPB/mpc  
Atty Docket No. 10004452-1      Date Mailed: March 13, 2003  
Application No.: 10/017,107      Filing Date: December 13, 2001  
Confirmation No.: 6455  
Inventor(s): MCENTEE, JOHN F.

Title: "PRINthead FLUID SUPPLY SYSTEM"

Enclosure(s):

- ❖ Trans. Re Communication (1 pg.)
- ❖ Communication: Interview Summary & Renewed Request to Enter Examiner Amendment (1 pg.)
- ❖ Postcard

Acknowledge Receipt of enclosures  
By imprinting PTO Date Stamp and  
Returning to addressee